

REMARKS

Responsive to the action mailed April 28, 2008, Applicant elects the invention of Group I drawn to the embodiment of a method for treating a mammal suffering from a localized bacterial infection or a bacterial-related disease comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of at least one granulocyte macrophage-colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF) polypeptide or fragment or derivative thereof, and a pharmaceutical composition comprising the same.

Claims 16-29 read on the elected invention. The election is made without traverse.

In addition, Applicant has amended claims 16, 22, 27, and 29 and cancelled claims 19, 20, and 28. Applicant's specification fully supports the amended claims. Thus, no new matter has been added. Accordingly, claims 16-18, 21-27, and 29 are pending. Applicants respectfully request examination and allowance of the pending claims.

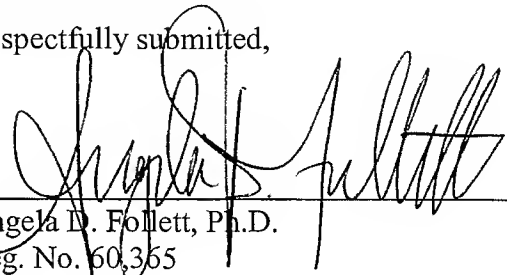
CONCLUSIONS

Applicants respectfully assert that all claims are in condition for allowance, which action is hereby requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if such would expedite prosecution.

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Respectfully submitted,

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